

FORM B - BUILDING

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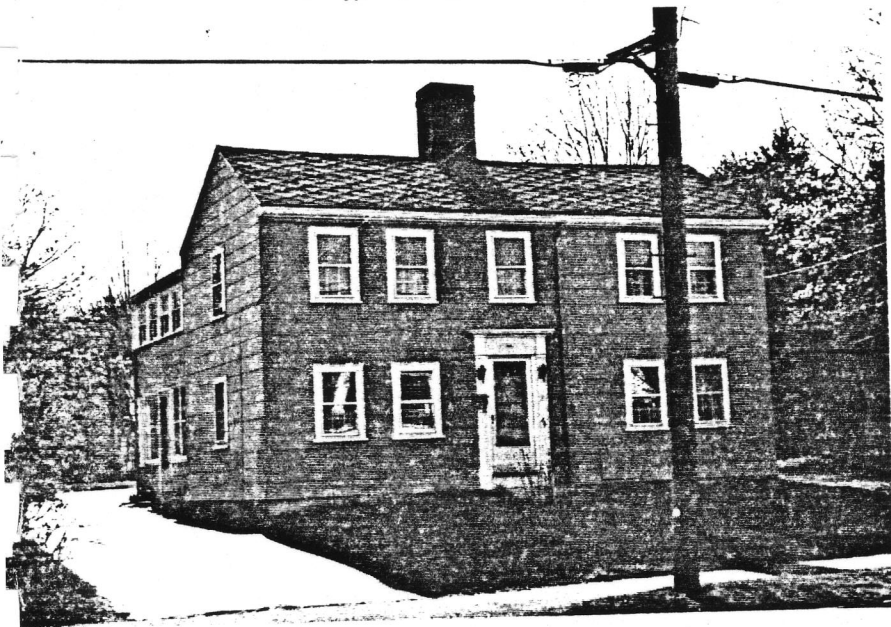
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In Area no.

E

Form no.

232



in Lexington

Address 898 Mass. Avenue

Leonard Noyes House

present use residence

present owner Cotter

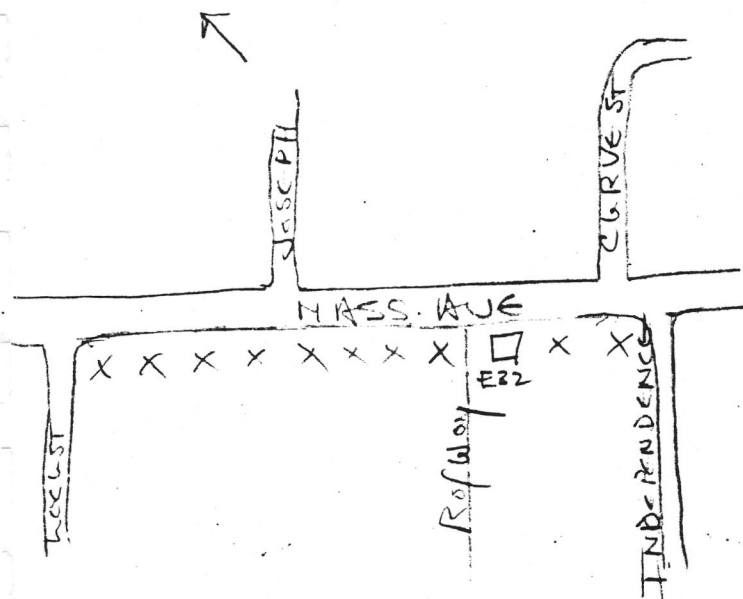
Description: Front part - earlier (18th century?)

Ell-1830

Source Deed Research

Is it Federal?

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric Wood shingles
~~Asphalt shingle~~

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features Five bay wide, one room deep;
center chimney asymmetrical

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

Less than one acre x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 50'

Approximate distance of building from street
10' - 15'

6. Recorded by E. W. Reinhardt

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DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____

MHC Photo no. _____

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Leonard Noyes

Original use _____

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ Humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical Significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Descrip cont: in relationship. Door similar to Hancock Clarke Houss. (C-19), 1737.
Granite foundation. Two story ell left rear with chimney, door, granite foundation.

1853 map - Daniel Benjamin? (milk dealer)

According to EB Worthen in the late 19th c. This was the home of Alonzo Leavitt (1830-1897), a manufacturer of organ keys who came to Lexington in 1873. He and his wife Emma had five children; only the youngest, Grace, survived. Grace was still living here in 1915.



as local histories, deeds, assessor's records,

E. B. Worthen, Tracing the Past in
Lexington, Mass., p. 45.

Hudson, vol. 2, pp 359-360.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Town Property Address
LEXINGTON 898 MASS. AVE.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

According to the present owner (Monica Cotter), the front section of this house predates 1830. Small British cannon balls were found when the cellar was being dug in the 1920s and were donated to the Historical Society.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Cotter, Monica (present owner). Information on history of house, Sept. 2007.

Hudson, Charles. *History of the Town of Lexington*. Cambridge: The Riverside Press Co., 1913, vol. 2, p. 359-360.

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